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In addition to the documents submitted herewith, it is presumed that copies of the International Application, the International Search Report and cited references, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by 35 U.S.C. §371(c) were supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if additional copies are required, the undersigned attorney will provide the same upon request.

It is expressly requested that National Stage processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. §371(f).

Subsequent to entry of the concurrently filed Preliminary Amendment, the Government filing fees are calculated as follows:

| Total claims | 10 | - 20 | = | 0 | x | \$50.00 | =_ | 0 |
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| Independent claims | 2 | - 3 | = - | 0 | _ x | \$200.00 | =_ | 0 |
| Base Fee | | _ | _ | | | | | \$300.00 |
| Search Fee | | | | | | | | \$500.00 |
| Examination Fee | | | | | | | _ | \$200.00 |
| TOTAL FEES DUE | | | | | | | _ | \$1,000.00 |

A check for the statutory filing fees of \$1,000.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all additional required fees (except the Issue/Publication Fees) to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is also attached.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 is claimed from:

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